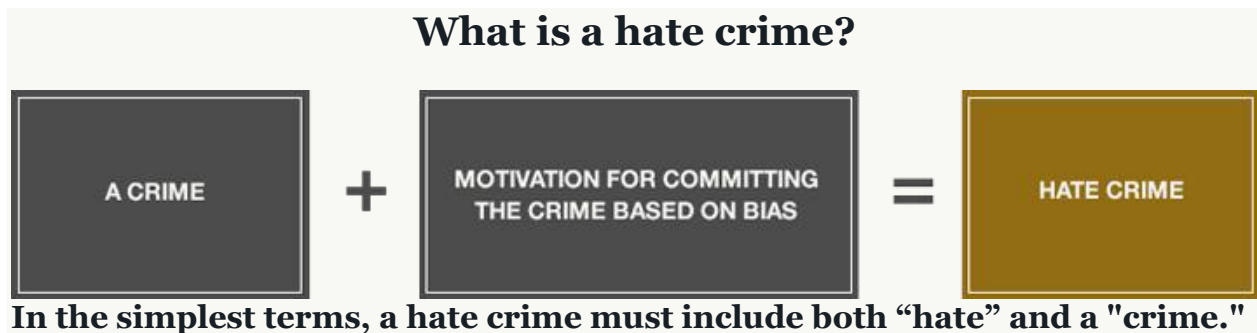




## Resources for Constituents on How to Address Anti-Asian Hate and Discrimination

### 1. What is a Hate Crime?

[According to the U.S. Department of Justice:](#)



At the federal level, hate crime laws include crimes committed on the basis of the victim's perceived or actual race, color, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity or disability.

In Michigan a hate crime is a criminal offense committed against a person or property which is motivated in whole or in part, by the offender's bias against a race/national origin, gender, religion, sexual-orientation, mental/physical disability or ethnicity.

The "crime" in hate crime is often a violent crime, such as assault, murder, arson, vandalism, or threats to commit such crimes. It may also cover conspiring or asking another person to commit such crimes, even if the crime was never carried out.

### 2. Where Do I Report A Hate Crime?

The Department of Justice recommends that hate crime victims report directly to local law enforcement and call 911 if emergency services are needed. Victims should also contact their local FBI field office to report a hate crime to ensure this data is captured in the FBI's Uniform

Crime Reporting Hate Crime Statistics. More information on how to report a hate crime to the FBI can be found [here](#).

### **3. Where Do I Report A Hate Incident?**

Individuals who have witnessed or experienced a hate incident (including hate speech, harassment or bullying) are encouraged to report to one of the following sites, where they can safely document their incident and seek additional resources:

- [\*\*Stop AAPI Hate:\*\*](#) The vast majority of anti-Asian hate incidents that we know about have been reported through this site, which was launched jointly by the Asian Pacific Planning and Policy Council (A3PCON), Chinese for Affirmative Action (CAA), and San Francisco State University. The incident report form is available in English, as well as in multiple Asian languages.
- [\*\*Stand Against Hatred:\*\*](#) This hate incident reporting site launched by Asian Americans Advancing Justice-AAJC, one of the largest Asian American civil rights organizations in the nation, was created prior to the COVID-19 pandemic but continues to remain relevant today. It is also available in multiple Asian languages.

### **3. What Should I Do If I Witness a Hate Crime or Incident?**

- If it is safe to do so, bystanders are encouraged to speak out if they witness a hate crime or incident taking place. To learn more about ways to safely intervene, you can register for a virtual bystander intervention training [here](#). Additional bystander intervention resources are available [here](#).

### **4. Additional Resources**

- [President Biden's Presidential Memorandum "Condemning and Combating Racism, Xenophobia, and Intolerance Against Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in the United States"](#)
- [CDC Guidance on Reducing Stigma](#)
- [World Health Organization Guidance on Preventing and Addressing Social Stigma](#)